## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

STANDING ROCK SIOUX TRIBE, YANKTON SIOUX TRIBE; ROBERT FLYING HAWK; OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE,

Plaintiffs,

and

CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE; SARA JUMPING EAGLE ET AL.,

Plaintiff-Intervenors,

v.

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,

Defendant-Cross Defendant,

and

DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC,

Defendant-Intervenor-Cross Claimant.

Case No. 1:16-cv-1534-JEB (and Consolidated Case Nos. 16-cv-1796 and 17-cv-267)

## INTERVENOR DEFENDANT DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC'S MOTION TO EXTEND STAY OF RESOLUTION OF MOTION TO COMPEL PROMPT COMPLETION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

In accordance with the Court's September 23, 2019 Minute Order, Intervenor Defendant Dakota Access, LLC ("Dakota Access") respectfully moves the Court to extend the stay of resolution of Dakota Access's Motion to Compel Prompt Completion of the Administrative Record ("Motion to Compel"), D.E. 216, while Dakota Access continues to pursue the outstanding records through other means. The Minute Order requires Dakota Access to "update the Court" on or before October 23, 2019. Dakota Access continues to pursue many of the relevant records through a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), Department

of the Army (the "Army"), Department of Interior ("DOI"), and Council for Environmental Qual-

ity ("CEQ"). However, Dakota Access's FOIA request to each is still in process. Since Dakota

Access last updated the Court, the three agencies from which Dakota Access has received no doc-

uments have advised that they are still working on the request. DOJ reports that it is still searching

for documents, CEQ states it is in the final review of 160 potentially responsive documents, and

DOI says it will soon begin rolling productions of 500 documents per month. And, as noted pre-

viously, the fourth agency (the Army) has made a deficient production consisting solely of the

original administrative record in this matter. Dakota Access appealed the Army's response

through the agency's administrative process, and that appeal is pending. Accordingly, Dakota

Access respectfully requests that the Court further stay consideration of its Motion to Compel to

allow time for processing Dakota Access's FOIA request.

**CONCLUSION** 

For the foregoing reasons, Dakota Access respectfully requests that the Court grant its

motion to extend the stay of resolution of its Motion to Compel.

Dated: October 23, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 23rd day of October, 2019, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the CM/ECF system. Service was accomplished by the CM/ECF system.

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# [PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING INTERVENOR DEFENDANT DAKOTA ACCESS, LLC'S MOTION TO EXTEND STAY OF RESOLUTION OF MOTION TO COMPEL PROMPT COMPLETION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

The Court orders that Intervenor Defendant Dakota Access, LLC's Motion to Extend Stay of Resolution of its Motion to Compel Prompt Completion of the Administrative Record ("Motion") is GRANTED.

Dakota Access, LLC shall update the Court by November 25, 2019 whether it will withdraw the Motion, seek a further stay of the Motion, or ask for the Court to resolve it.

SO ORDERED this day of , 2019.

The Honorable James E. Boasberg United States District Judge